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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Schneider  
CASE: OST-031143  
SERIAL NO.: 10/663,430  
FILED ON: September 16, 2003  
FOR: DRIER FOR OBJECTS,  
PARTICULARLY FOR VEHICLE  
BODIES, AND METHOD FOR  
OPERATING SUCH A DRIER

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<u>Publication Number</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>	<u>Basis for Relevance</u>
DE 43 12 892 A1	October 27, 1994	The plant has a set of infra-red radiators (17, 19) grouped around the car, and individual radiators can be controlled. The radiators are fixed in position inside a cabin (10) and the car is driven onto a platform (15) which is then raised by a scissors jack (14) into the cabin. The radiator are arranged so as to match the contour of the car, being located near the sides, the roof, the hood (bonnet), trunk (boot) lid and the rear panel.

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Catalytic Radiator

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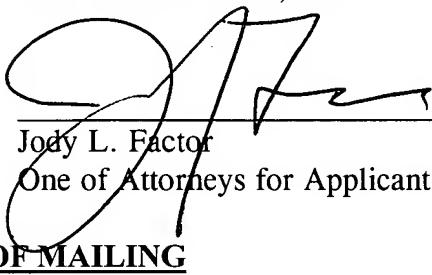
Translation: Within a catalytic radiator which is part of the group of dark radiators and which is used as a component of a drying installation, fuel gas is burned underneath its flame temperature by chemical oxidation. The fuel gas is conveyed into a housing in which it is equally distributed. After passing an insulating layer which additionally supports the fuel gas distribution within the housing, the fuel gas flows to a catalytic layer in which it is oxidized by oxygen of environmental air. The catalytic layer emits infrared radiation. In the case of using the catalytic radiator within a sealed drying installation in which an appropriate amount of oxygen is not available, fresh air may be conveyed to the front of the catalytic radiator by directing the fresh air from the backside of the catalytic radiator through suitable slots. For that, a fan is used which is mounted on the backside of the catalytic radiator.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 226-1818 is respectfully invited.

Respectfully submitted,

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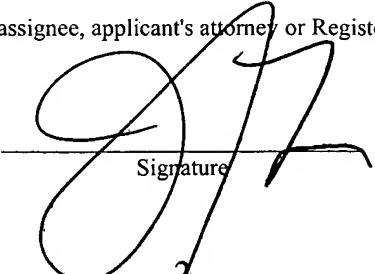
  
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